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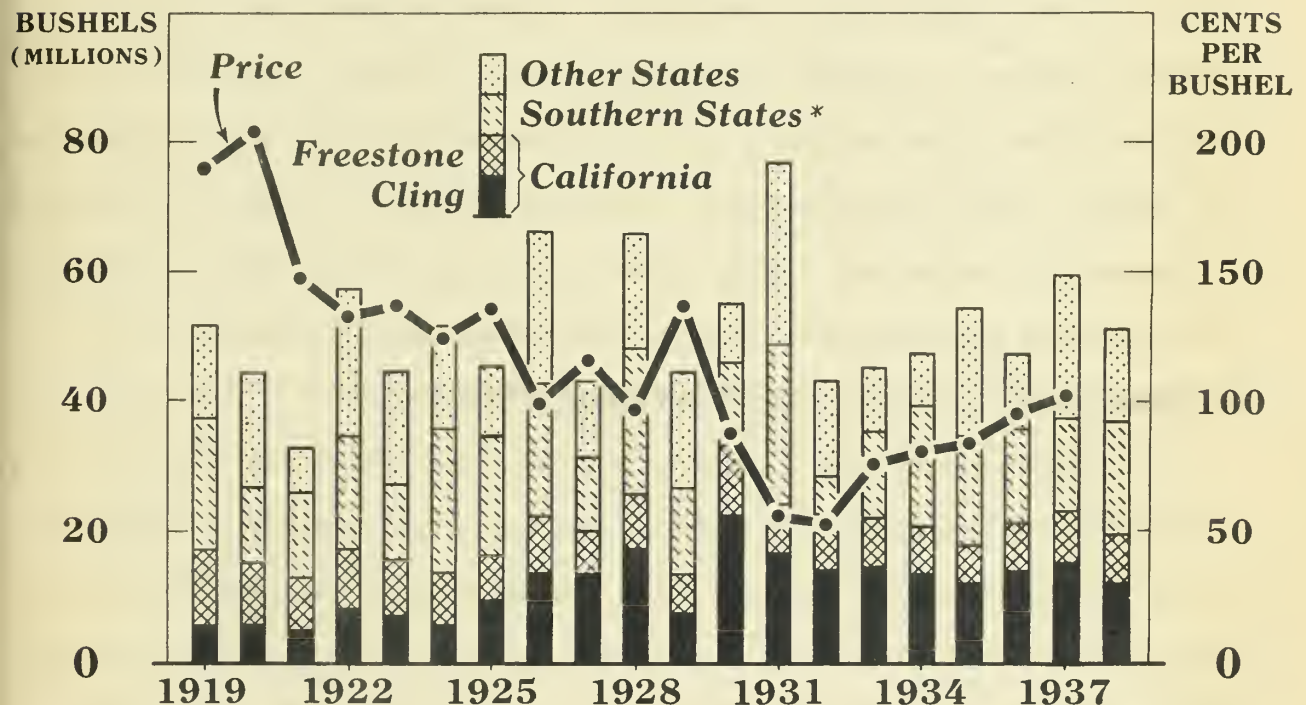
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THE FRUIT SITUATION

# Peaches: Production and Season Average Price Received by Producers, 1919 to Date



\* INCLUDES NORTH CAROLINA, SOUTH CAROLINA, GEORGIA, FLORIDA, TENNESSEE, ALABAMA, MISSISSIPPI, ARKANSAS, LOUISIANA, OKLAHOMA, AND TEXAS  
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THE SIZE OF THE UNITED STATES PEACH CROP HAS AN IMPORTANT INFLUENCE ON THE AVERAGE PRICE RECEIVED BY PRODUCERS DURING THE SEASON. BUT OTHER FACTORS ALSO CAUSE CONSIDERABLE VARIATION IN PRICES FROM SEASON TO SEASON. FOR INSTANCE, IN 1931 A LARGE CROP OF PEACHES WAS PRODUCED AND PRICES WERE RELATIVELY LOW, BUT IN 1932 A SHORT CROP WAS PRODUCED AND PRICES WERE STILL LOWER. THE LOW PRICES IN 1932 WERE CAUSED LARGELY BY A 40 PERCENT DECLINE IN INCOMES OF INDUSTRIAL WORKERS FROM THE PREVIOUS YEAR AND BY AN INCREASE OF ABOUT 22 PERCENT IN THE CARRY-OVER OF CANNED PEACHES. IN 1938 THE PEACH CROP IS DOWN 15 PERCENT, BUT INCOMES ARE DOWN ABOUT 30 PERCENT FROM 1937. THE CARRY-OVER OF CANNED PEACHES IS ABOUT FOUR TIMES AS LARGE AS THAT OF A YEAR EARLIER.

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Summary

About average fruit crops are in prospect this year. Because of the relatively low purchasing power of consumers, however, prices to growers may not be much improved over those received for the large 1937 crops, according to the Bureau of Agricultural Economics. Incomes of industrial workers, an important measure of consumer purchasing power for fruits, are about 30 per cent lower than a year earlier. Another unfavorable factor in the situation this season is the unusually large carry-over of canned and dried fruits, and the demand for canning and drying probably will be much less than in 1937. This situation will naturally force a larger-than-usual proportion of the deciduous fruits into fresh fruit marketing channels.

As indicated by June 1 conditions, about an average supply of fruits is expected for the country as a whole, but the crops probably will be unevenly distributed, with somewhat below average supplies in the North Central and some South Central States. Apples and peaches suffered extensive damage from late frosts in the Central and some Northeastern States, but a large supply of peaches is expected in the Southern and some Western States. The apple crop also is expected to be large in the West. Pears and cherries were damaged by frost in the Central States, but the reductions in this area are likely to be more than offset by record large crops in the Western region. The California apricot crop is expected to be light, but good crops of prunes and grapes are indicated for the Western States. Citrus fruits, which in recent years have made up a rapidly increasing proportion of the total fruit

supply, are likely to have another large crop for harvest.

Market prices of fruits in general have shown only seasonal changes from early May to early June. Strawberry prices regained most of the early-May loss by the first week in June. Eastern apples advanced slightly, while early southern peaches declined sharply under the pressure of heavy marketings. Prices of Florida and Puerto Rican grapefruit rose slightly in recent weeks, but the Florida season is drawing to a close. The auction prices of California Navel oranges at New York City rose slightly in mid-May, but lost most of the rise by the first week in June. California Valencia oranges started moving during May, with prices declining sharply as marketings increased. Florida oranges sold at fairly stable levels during the recent 4-weeks' period. California lemon prices declined slightly.

For more detailed information on June 1 condition and prospects for apples and other fruits, by regions and States, see Fruit and Nut Crop Prospects, released by the Bureau June 16.

#### APPLES

The June 1 condition of the apple crop was reported at 55 percent, compared with the condition of 77 percent on June 1, 1937, and with the 10-year (1927-36) average of 63 percent. Condition of the 1938 crop is below average in all regions except the western group of States, where it is about 1 point above average. Indications point to a total crop below the 10-year average and much smaller than the large crop last year.



The first few cars of 1938-crop apples moved to market in early June from Georgia and Illinois, indicating that the crop is earlier than a year ago. A total of 57 cars of new-crop apples had been shipped through June 11, compared with only 5 cars through June 12, 1937. Cold-storage holdings of 1937-crop apples amounted to 1,965,000 bushels on June 1, compared with 1,387,000 bushels a year earlier and 1,572,000 bushels, the 1927-36 average for June 1. The carlot movement of old-crop apples averaged only about 250 cars per week in early June, with most shipments originating in the western States. Because of the sharp decrease in shipments in recent weeks, prices of eastern apples in large market centers rose sharply, but those of western apples showed little change.

#### PEACHES

A slightly smaller than average peach crop in the country as a whole is indicated by June 1 condition reports, but production varies widely in the several regions. In the southern States combined, indications point to a crop slightly larger than average and considerably larger than that of 1937. In Georgia, where peaches are now being harvested and marketed, the crop is about twice as large as that of last year but slightly below the average production for the period 1927-36. In the central and eastern States production is expected to be considerably smaller than that of a year ago and slightly smaller than the average crop for these States. Although the 1938 production in Idaho, Colorado, Washington, and Oregon is indicated to be greater than average, in the western States as a whole the crop is expected to be smaller, chiefly because the California crop (particularly clingstone varieties) is somewhat smaller than both last year's crop and the average.

As a rule, not many peaches from California compete in the fresh fruit market, but the quantity available for market this year may be larger than the crop would indicate, because of the relatively small quantity of clingstone peaches that probably will be used for canning. As a result of the comparatively large stocks of canned peaches carried over this season from the large 1937 pack, the quantities canned probably will be small. Thus a larger-than-usual proportion of clingstone peaches will be available for sale as fresh fruit.

The southern peach crop started to market relatively early this season, with shipments in early June averaging close to 1,000 cars per week, against only about 150 cars during the corresponding week last year. Through June 11, about 2,160 cars of peaches had been shipped, compared with only 225 cars to the same time last season. As a result of the larger early crop in prospect and sharply lower demand conditions, market prices opened at slightly lower levels than last year and declined rapidly as shipments increased. Shipping-point prices in Georgia averaged only \$1.16 per bushel during the week ended June 11, compared with \$2 per bushel a year earlier.

Peaches: Production by States, average 1927-36, annual 1936  
and 1937, and indicated 1938

State	:	Average 1927-36	:	Annual		:	Indicated 1938
				1936	1937		
		1,000 bu.		1,000 bu.	1,000 bu.		1,000 bu.
:							
:							
North Carolina .....		1,813		1,558	1,984		2,480
South Carolina .....		1,095		1,159	1,080		1,556
Georgia .....	1/	5,824		5,589	2,730		5,548
Florida .....		63		67	36		56
Alabama .....		1,252		1,720	990		1,788
Mississippi .....		750		1,052	474		1,061
Arkansas .....		1,584		1,012	2,288		2,365
Louisiana .....		240		378	269		306
Oklahoma .....		494		20	1,073		380
Texas .....		1,219		1,156	1,392		1,080
Total 10 States .....	1/	14,334		13,711	12,316		16,620
Delaware .....		271		500	398		343
Maryland .....		374		279	448		330
Virginia .....		767		594	1,599		1,182
West Virginia .....		299		90	528		258
Kentucky .....		452		131	1,369		352
Tennessee .....		1,214		854	1,860		586
New Hampshire .....		18		13	24		19
Massachusetts .....		116		105	107		102
Rhode Island .....		25		28	27		33
Connecticut .....		172		176	177		175
New York .....	1/	1,348		1,232	1,806		945
New Jersey .....		1,330		1,352	1,651		1,302
Pennsylvania .....		1,507		799	2,673		1,675
Ohio .....		876		164	1,296		498
Indiana .....		456		10	402		180
Illinois .....		1,424		256	2,117		1,482
Michigan .....		1,354		1,720	2,652		1,073
Iowa .....		78		15	87		84
Missouri .....		672		107	1,728		232
Nebraska .....		40		5	38		66
Kansas .....		123		18	232		29
Idaho .....		146		175	14		172
Colorado .....		1,013		1,345	1,533		1,424
New Mexico .....		67		56	92		44
Arizona .....		63		37	47		18
Utah .....		534		554	72		434
Nevada .....		4		6	3		7
Washington .....	1/	1,019		1,558	935		1,478
Oregon .....		265		258	241		280
Total other States..		16,029		12,437	24,169		14,803
California, total .....	1/	22,135		21,502	23,252		19,497
Clingstone 2/ .....	1/	14,564		14,043	15,418		12,251
Freestone 3/ .....	1/	7,572		7,459	7,834		7,246
United States .....	1/	52,498		47,650	59,724		50,920

1/ Includes some quantities not harvested or dumped on account of market conditions.

2/ Mainly for canning.

3/ Mainly for drying.

Peaches, all varieties: Weekly average l.c.l. price per bushel at New York and Chicago, and shipping-point prices, 1936-38

Week ended in 1938	L.c.l. prices						Shipping-point prices 1/		
	New York			Chicago			F.o.b. cash track-Macon, Ga.		
	1936	1937	1938	1936	1937	1938	1936	1937	1938
	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.
May 7 :			4.00						
14 :			3.75			3.10			
21 :			2.90			2.90			
28 :			2.53	3.33		2.23			
June 4 :	3.62	4.55	1.92	4.00	3.90	2.16	1.70		1.12
11 :	2.72	3.87	1.93	2.67	3.53	1.69	1.62	2.00	1.16
18 :	2.24	3.15		2.39	3.08		1.53	2.40	
25 :	2.37	2.90		2.52	2.58		1.73	2.15	
July 2 :	2.50	3.17		2.01	2.30		1.54	3.10	
9 :	2.60	3.35		3.04	3.06		2.33	3.18	
16 :	3.40	3.18		4.00	3.46		2.67	3.30	
23 :	2.37	2.73		2.58	2.95		1.40	2.24	
30 :	2.05	2.23		2.38	2.26		1.66	1.92	
Aug. 6 :	2.30	1.94		2.54	2.06				
13 :	2.12	1.77		2.54	1.79				
20 :	1.98	1.82		2.41	1.90				
27 :	2.04	2.27		2.22	1.80				
Sept. 3 :	2.31	1.47		2.11	1.58				
10 :	2.10	1.74		1.80	1.98				
17 :	2.38	1.69		1.94	1.62				
24 :	2.67	1.49		1.70	2/1.39				
Oct. 1 :	2.55	1.56		2.08	1.60				
8 :	2.98	1.65		2.12	1.58				
15 :	-	1.88			1.44				
22 :	-	1.75							
29 :	-	1.62							
Shipping-point prices - F.o.b. usual terms									
Hamlet, N. C. : Nashville, Ark.: Benton Harbor, Mich.: Palisade, Colo.									
: 3/ : 3/ : 4/ : 3/									
: 1936 : 1937 : 1936 : 1937 : 1936 : 1937 : 1936 : 1937									
: Dol. : Dol. : Dol. : Dol. : Dol. : Dol. : Dol. : Dol.									
July 16 :	2.56	3.05	2.38						
23 :	1.61	2.46	1.56	2.50					
30 :	1.74	1.72	1.69	1.71					
Aug. 6 :	1.90	1.33	1.90	1.47					
13 :									
20 :								1.50	
27 :								1.42	1.22
Sept. 3 :					1.66	1.60			1.18
10 :					1.60	1.49			
17 :					1.79	1.31			

1/ Earlier shipments 1-3/4 to 2 inches in size, later 2 to 2½ inches.

2/ Includes some generally fair in color. 3/ Carloads. 4/ Carloads and truckloads.



## PEARS

The June 1 condition indicated that the pear crop will be about 1 percent larger than the record crop of 1937, and 19 percent above the 10-year (1927-36) average. The prospective production is 29,876,000 bushels, compared with 29,548,000 in 1937 and the 10-year average of 24,326,000 bushels.

In the New England States, freezing temperatures in late May caused some damage to pears. A good bloom was reported in all localities, however, and prospects appear favorable for a good crop. Spring freeze damage was extensive in the North Central States. A record crop of pears is indicated in the Pacific Northwest.

## GRAPES

Condition as reported on June 1 was above average for all three classes of California grapes, and indicate a total California grape crop slightly larger than the record large production in 1937. Condition of table grapes was reported at 85 percent, which is slightly above last year, and 5 points above the 10-year (1927-36) average. Condition of wine and raisin varieties, at 87 percent, is the same as was reported a year ago, and is above the 10-year average of 83 percent for wine grapes and 79 percent for raisin varieties. Growing conditions during May were favorable for raisin grapes, although there is some possibility of excessive mildew development because of the lack of warm, dry weather during the month. A heavy crop of Muscats appears to be in prospect, and Thompson Seedless show signs of a relatively good crop.

Because of the large stocks of raisins and wine now on hand, it is likely that the demand for grapes for these uses will be sharply curtailed and, therefore, a larger proportion than usual of the wine and raisin grapes will be available for the fresh market. This situation, together with an increase over last year in the production of table grapes, would seem to presage difficulties in the marketing of the 1938 grape crop.

## CHERRIES

The total cherry crop (sweet and sour cherries) in the 12 commercial States is indicated by the June 1 condition to be 130,040 tons, compared with 144,720 in 1937, and with the 10-year (1927-36) average of 116,309 tons. Prospects are poor in the five Eastern States, in which sour cherries comprise most of the production. A crop of only 50,640 tons is indicated in these States, compared with 88,320 last year, and with the 10-year average of 63,584 tons. In the seven Western States, where sweet varieties predominate, an unusually large crop is indicated - 79,400 tons, compared with 56,400 in 1937 and the average of 52,725 tons.

Pears: Production by States, average 1927-36, annual 1936, 1937, and indicated 1938

State	Average 1927-36	Annual		Indicated 1938
		1936	1937	
		1,000 bu.	1,000 bu.	
Maine .....	12	8	8	15
New Hampshire ...	13	7	15	19
Vermont .....	8	2	6	9
Massachusetts ...	70	65	65	78
Rhode Island ...	10	10	12	10
Connecticut .....	44	49	48	55
New York .....	1,300	1,231	1,305	1,560
New Jersey .....	90	68	56	61
Pennsylvania ....	569	588	817	645
Ohio .....	538	384	992	549
Indiana .....	296	176	630	345
Illinois .....	493	244	999	418
Michigan .....	892	1,390	1,380	914
Iowa .....	90	45	144	109
Missouri .....	322	92	684	73
Nebraska .....	37	19	43	38
Kansas .....	157	26	282	48
Delaware .....	20	12	10	8
Maryland .....	97	101	73	76
Virginia .....	294	360	416	327
West Virginia ...	51	17	111	39
North Carolina ..	232	240	281	349
South Carolina ..	98	112	72	124
Georgia .....	242	396	244	420
Florida .....	81	156	127	138
Kentucky .....	169	80	411	104
Tennessee .....	223	186	284	139
Alabama .....	270	368	211	405
Mississippi .....	256	434	157	468
Arkansas .....	141	90	214	170
Louisiana .....	103	179	70	178
Oklahoma .....	124	5	141	74
Texas .....	354	360	412	355
Idaho .....	61	60	56	62
Colorado .....	307	220	153	234
New Mexico .....	39	34	59	25
Arizona .....	13	10	8	6
Utah .....	31	125	64	95
Nevada .....	4	5	4	4
Washington .....	1/ 4,142	5,400	5,600	6,278
Oregon .....	1/ 2,910	3,760	3,550	4,017
California .....	1/ 9,076	9,792	9,334	10,835
United States ...	1,24,326	26,956	29,543	29,876

1/ Includes some quantities not harvested on account of market conditions.

## CITRUS FRUITS

Reports as of June 1 on citrus crops from the 1938 bloom show the condition of oranges to be 75 percent, compared with 80 percent on June 1, 1937. Condition of grapefruit is reported at 70 percent, compared with 59 percent last year.

Production of oranges for the 1937-38 season (1937 bloom) is estimated to be 70,920,000 boxes. This production is slightly larger than was indicated in early May, because of an increase in the Florida estimate. The 1936-37 crop amounted to 55,174,000 boxes, and the 10-year (1926-35) average is 48,090,000 boxes. Production of California Valencias from the 1937 bloom, the main source of supply at this time, is placed at 26,448,000 boxes, compared with 16,829,000 last year and the 10-year average of 17,265,000 boxes.

Total production of grapefruit for 1937-38 is estimated at 29,344,000 boxes. This figure is larger than that of early May because of increased prospects in Florida. A total of 30,680,000 boxes was produced in 1936-37; the 10-year (1926-35) average is 14,712,000 boxes.

## STATISTICS RELATING TO CURRENT MARKETINGS OF FRUITS

Table 1.-Apples: June 1 cold storage holdings and percentage reduction in stocks during May 1927 to 1938

Year	:Baskets and barrels 1/ :		: Western boxes :		: Total :	
	: June 1	: Reduction	: June 1	: Reduction	: June 1	: Reduction
	: cold	: May 1	: cold	: May 1	: cold	: May 1
	: storage	: to	: storage	: to	: storage	: to
	: holdings	: June 1	: holdings	: June 1	: holdings	: June 1
	: 1,000 bu.	Percent	: 1,000 bu.	Percent	: 1,000 bu.	Percent
1927	: 885	64.4	: 717	69.0	: 1,602	66.6
1928	: 585	53.0	: 1,223	57.7	: 1,808	56.3
1929	: 543	64.9	: 631	71.6	: 1,174	68.9
1930	: 597	58.8	: 761	68.9	: 1,358	65.1
1931	: 306	63.1	: 1,425	61.3	: 1,731	61.6
1932	: 655	62.9	: 1,364	59.8	: 2,019	60.8
1933	: 832	62.8	: 938	61.9	: 1,770	62.3
1934	: 376	68.4	: 809	58.8	: 1,185	62.5
1935	: 518	70.6	: 562	68.8	: 1,080	69.7
1936	: 923	61.6	: 1,074	63.5	: 1,997	62.7
Average:						
1927-36:	622	63.2	950	63.6	1,572	63.5
1937	488	61.6	899	60.2	1,387	60.7
1938	1,169	66.2	796	65.7	1,965	66.0

1/ Includes eastern boxes or crates, barrels converted on basis of 1 barrel equivalent to 3 bushels.

Table 2.-Apples, eastern: L.c.l. price per bushel, Chicago and New York, by specified varieties and weeks, February to June, 1937 and 1938

Market and date	1937				1938			
	Michigan				Michigan			
	Mc-	Green-	Deli-	All	Mc-	Green-	Deli-	All
	Intosh	ing	cious	varie-	Intosh	ing	cious	varie-
	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars
<b>Chicago</b>								
Feb. 5	1.82	1.38	1.95	1.72	1.16	.90	1.12	.97
12	1.84	1.34	2.10	1.78	1.20	.92	1.12	1.00
19	1.82	1.40	2.24	1.81	1.16	---	1.08	.99
26	1.75	1.50	2.22	1.87	1.25	---	1.11	1.00
Mar. 5	1.88	1.46	2.24	1.84	1.25	---	1.12	1.00
12	1.95	1.50	2.38	1.92	1.28	1.05	1.12	1.00
19	2.00	1.56	2.45	2.02	1.32	1.05	1.12	1.06
26	1.95	1.55	2.48	1.95	1.25	1.05	1.08	1.00
Apr. 2	1.95	1.62	2.32	1.94	1.12	1.00	1.06	.88
9	1.88	1.62	2.38	1.94	1.25	.88	1.08	1.04
16	2.05	---	2.45	2.00	1.34	1.00	1.17	1.07
23	---	2.08	2.50	2.08	1.24	---	1.24	1.07
30	---	2.08	---	1.96	1.12	---	1.04	1.04
May 7	---	---	---	1.99	1.14	---	1.10	.97
14	---	---	---	2.10	1.20	---	---	1.04
21	---	---	---	2.06	1.20	---	1.05	1.02
28	---	---	---	2.32	1.29	---	1.49	1.20
June 4	---	---	---	2.29	1.81	---	1.50	1.49
11	---	---	---	2.37	1.70	---	1.56	1.43
	1937				1938			
	New York				New York			
	Mc-	Green-	Bald-	All	Mc-	Green-	Bald-	All
	Intosh	ing	win	varie-	Intosh	ing	win	varie-
	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars
<b>New York</b>								
Feb. 5	1.88	1.38	1.45	1.65	1.24	.81	.78	.99
12	1.96	1.36	1.47	1.78	1.25	.78	.80	1.00
19	2.12	1.39	1.50	1.87	1.25	.71	.79	.99
26	2.16	1.44	1.53	1.93	1.24	.86	.76	.98
Mar. 5	2.23	1.52	1.60	2.01	1.25	.88	.80	1.02
12	2.30	1.62	1.65	2.06	1.27	.95	.79	1.06
19	2.38	1.62	1.72	2.09	1.25	.94	.78	1.00
26	2.38	1.84	1.86	2.01	1.19	.89	.81	1.02
Apr. 2	2.40	1.88	1.94	2.00	1.21	.87	.69	1.05
9	2.46	---	1.95	2.17	1.26	.87	.73	1.00
16	2.52	---	2.08	2.35	1.27	---	.77	1.07
23	2.49	---	2.02	2.26	1.22	---	.73	.99
30	2.61	---	2.14	2.66	1.24	.72	.75	.93
May 7	2.73	---	2.13	2.25	1.35	---	.78	.97
14	2.75	---	2.12	2.18	1.11	---	.87	.83
21	2.85	---	2.18	2.33	1.11	---	.87	1.01
28	3.00	---	2.06	2.54	1.17	---	.87	.99
June 4	---	---	1.90	1.78	1.16	---	.84	1.06
11	---	---	1.75	1.82	1.10	---	.88	1.12



Table 3.- Apples, western: Weighted average auction price per box, all grades, at Chicago and New York, by specified varieties and weeks, February to June, 1937 and 1938

Market and week	1937				1938			
	Washington		All		Washington		All	
	Deli-	Wine-	Rome	varie-	Deli-	Wine-	Rome	varie-
	cious	sap	Beauty	ties	cious	sap	Beauty	ties
	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars
<u>Chicago</u>								
Feb. 5 :	2.57	2.16	1.75	2.28	1.35	--	1.10	1.25
12 :	2.50	2.21	1.74	2.21	1.27	--	1.14	1.17
19 :	2.24	2.17	1.77	2.08	1.28	--	1.13	1.18
26 :	2.44	2.24	1.74	2.10	1.34	1.24	1.18	1.25
Mar. 5 :	2.40	2.17	1.71	2.24	1.26	--	1.00	1.13
12 :	2.35	1.96	1.70	2.03	1.29	1.25	1.09	1.14
19 :	2.40	2.02	1.65	2.09	1.33	1.07	1.11	1.13
26 :	2.34	1.88	1.84	2.13	1.28	1.04	1.09	1.08
Apr. 2 :	2.42	1.94	1.82	2.05	1.23	1.10	.99	1.06
9 :	2.60	2.05	1.82	2.23	1.27	1.14	1.03	1.14
16 :	2.65	2.14	1.81	2.35	1.47	1.28	1.20	1.30
23 :	2.63	2.16	2.35	2.32	1.30	1.13	1.05	1.16
30 :	2.56	2.08	2.49	2.20	1.22	1.04	.98	1.06
May 7 :	2.78	2.12	2.59	2.46	1.15	1.12	.83	1.04
14 :	2.72	2.18	2.30	2.47	1.28	1.56	1.02	1.14
21 :	2.50	2.17	--	2.31	1.29	1.21	1.18	1.24
28 :	2.42	2.11	--	2.18	1.29	1.27	1.09	1.20
June 4 :	2.51	2.03	--	2.24	1.23	1.11	1.25	1.17
11 :	2.28	2.05	--	2.12	1.24	1.17	1.17	1.11
<u>New York</u>								
Feb. 5 :	2.58	2.27	2.01	2.37	1.55	1.41	1.34	1.49
12 :	2.71	2.34	2.00	2.42	1.60	1.43	1.33	1.53
19 :	2.73	2.41	1.97	2.47	1.59	1.41	1.25	1.49
26 :	2.68	2.40	1.89	2.36	1.53	1.38	1.32	1.48
Mar. 5 :	2.70	2.41	1.92	2.37	1.52	1.44	1.46	1.49
12 :	2.69	2.37	1.94	2.40	1.52	1.40	1.33	1.46
19 :	2.70	2.20	1.82	2.30	1.62	1.39	1.43	1.51
26 :	2.78	2.14	1.89	2.37	1.52	1.24	1.34	1.41
Apr. 2 :	2.69	2.11	1.79	2.29	1.40	1.13	1.36	1.35
9 :	2.75	2.23	1.92	2.34	1.37	1.26	1.36	1.37
16 :	2.81	2.38	2.15	2.41	1.65	1.41	1.58	1.64
23 :	2.90	2.35	2.22	2.44	1.74	1.39	1.57	1.58
30 :	2.96	2.35	2.23	2.48	1.64	1.35	1.43	1.47
May 7 :	3.00	2.32	2.39	2.41	1.51	1.61	1.18	1.45
14 :	3.06	2.41	--	2.39	1.52	1.80	1.39	1.57
21 :	2.96	2.47	--	2.46	1.64	1.78	1.61	1.71
28 :	3.01	2.47	--	2.43	1.56	1.66	1.67	1.63
June 4 :	2.97	2.35	--	2.34	1.51	1.71	1.73	1.60
11 :	3.06	2.26	--	2.27	1.25	1.98	1.68	1.56

Table 4.- Apples: Exports in April to specified countries, average 1927-31 and 1932-36, annual 1932, 1936, 1937, and 1938

Countries of destination	April average			April			
	1926-27 to	1931-32 to	1932	1936	1937	1938	
	1930-31	1935-36					
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	
	<u>barrels</u>	<u>barrels</u>	<u>barrels</u>	<u>barrels</u>	<u>barrels</u>	<u>barrels</u>	<u>barrels</u>
<u>In barrels</u>							
United Kingdom ....	75	19	30	30	7	18	
Germany .....	3	1	1	0	0	1	
Netherlands .....	4	1/	0	1	0	6	
Belgium .....	2	1	0	2	1/	7	
France .....	1/	1	0	3	0	1/	
Denmark .....	1/	0	0	0	0	0	
Other Europe .....	1	1/	1/	1/	0	1	
Total Europe ....	85	22	30	36	7	33	
Other countries ..	2	1	1	2	2	1	
Total .....	87	23	31	38	9	34	
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	
	<u>boxes</u>	<u>boxes</u>	<u>boxes</u>	<u>boxes</u>	<u>boxes</u>	<u>boxes</u>	<u>boxes</u>
<u>In boxes</u>							
United Kingdom ....	113	30	37	28	23	2	
Germany .....	88	79	158	82	47	87	
Netherlands .....	52	66	72	34	63	64	
France .....	16	168	164	360	64	331	
Other Europe .....	15	18	24	18	18	38	
Total Europe ....	284	361	455	522	215	522	
Canada .....	70	9	9	27	22	6	
Argentina .....	6	0	0	0	0	0	
Brazil .....	4	2	3	2	1/	4	
Philippine Islands:	3	4	4	5	7	11	
Palestine .....	1/	3	2	2	7	3	
Egypt .....	1/	1/	0	1	6	19	
Cuba .....	2	3	2	5	3	13	
Other countries ..	16	18	16	20	19	27	
Total .....	385	400	491	584	279	605	
		1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	
		<u>baskets</u>	<u>baskets</u>	<u>baskets</u>	<u>baskets</u>	<u>baskets</u>	<u>baskets</u>
<u>In baskets</u>							
Belgium .....		3	1/	14	7	86	
United Kingdom ....		9	1	26	1	35	
Germany .....		1	1/	0	1	0	
France .....		10	1/	9	0	4	
Canada .....		1	2	2	1/	1	
Other countries ..		1/	1/	1	1	18	
Total .....		24	3	52	10	144	
		1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	
		<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>
Grand total 2/ .....	646	493	587	750	316	851	

1/ Less than 500. 2/ One barrel assumed equivalent to 3 bushels.

Table 5.- Citrus fruits: Production, average 1931-35, annual 1936 and 1937

Crop and State	Production <u>1/</u>		
	Average 1931-35	1936	Indicated 1937
	<u>1,000 boxes</u>	<u>1,000 boxes</u>	<u>1,000 boxes</u>
Oranges:			
Winter and spring varieties:			
Calif. Navels and miscel. ....:	15,175	13,234	16,318
Fla., all .....	16,824	22,500	25,550
Five other States .....	1,087	2,611	2,604
Total .....	33,086	38,345	44,472
Summer and early fall varieties:			
Calif. Valencias .....	19,965	16,829	26,448
Total 7 States <u>2/</u> .....	53,051	55,174	70,920
Grapefruit:			
Fla., all .....	11,997	18,100	13,900
Seedless .....	<u>3/</u> 3,633	6,000	5,500
Other .....	<u>3/</u> 8,833	12,100	8,400
Tex. ....	2,105	9,630	11,000
Calif. ....	1,786	1,550	1,944
Ariz. ....	981	1,400	2,500
Total 4 States <u>2/</u> .....	16,869	30,680	29,344
Lemons:			
Calif. <u>2/</u> .....	8,045	8,102	<u>4/</u> 8,892
Limes:			
Fla. ....	12	45	110

1/ Relates to crop of bloom of year shown; picking beginning November 1 in California and September 1 in other States.

2/ Net content of boxes varies. In California and Arizona the approximate average for oranges is 70 pounds net and grapefruit 60 pounds; in Florida and other States oranges 90 pounds and grapefruit 80 pounds; California lemons, about 76 pounds net.

3/ 1932-35 average.

4/ June 1 indicated production.



Table 6.- Citrus fruits: Weighted average auction prices per box, New York and Chicago, March to June, 1937 and 1938

Week ended 1/	Oranges				Grapefruit				Lemons	
	Calif.		Fla.		Fla.		Tex.		Calif.	
	1937	1938	1937	1938	1937	1938	1937	1938	1937	1938
	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.
<u>New York</u>										
<u>City</u>										
Mar. 5	3.75	2.66	3.83	2.06	2.17	2.08	2.34	2.36	4.99	4.05
12	4.02	2.79	3.72	2.34	2.29	2.21	2.22	2.43	5.42	4.99
19	3.91	2.51	3.87	1.99	2.34	2.27	2.37	2.15	5.34	5.35
26	4.26	2.50	3.97	2.07	2.43	2.43	2.33	2.14	5.28	4.86
Apr. 2	4.03	2.33	3.73	2.15	2.44	2.19	1.96	2.11	4.99	4.18
Mo. av.	3.99	2.55	3.84	2.11	2.33	2.22	2.24	2.24	5.20	4.65
Apr. 9	3.96	2.50	3.79	2.30	2.70	2.29	---	2.49	4.87	4.13
16	4.06	2.69	3.71	2.13	2.71	2.40	---	3.04	4.99	4.33
23	4.22	2.78	3.66	2.05	2.44	2.55	---	2.78	4.94	4.13
30	4.45	2.70	3.78	1.92	2.65	2.21	---	2.49	5.44	4.00
Mo. av.	4.15	2.66	3.74	2.12	2.61	2.35	---	2.69	5.05	4.14
May 7	4.36	2.81	3.70	2/2.57	2.77	2/1.91	---	2.44	6.15	4.32
14	4.59	3.14	3.49	2/2.58	2.74	2/2.31	---	---	6.01	4.43
21	5.04	3.11	3.45	2/2.68	2.64	2/2.57	---	2.66	5.60	4.36
28	5.55	2.88	3.56	2/2.37	2.78	2/2.24	---	1.86	5.50	4.25
Mo. av.	4.60	2.99	3.56	2/2.54	2.73	2/2.23	---	2.24	5.76	4.34
June 4	---	2.91	3.34	2/2.46	2.95	2/2.33	---	---	6.12	4.10
11	---	3.55	3.53	2/2.73	3.36	2/2.03	---	---	6.99	3.93
<u>Chicago</u>										
Mar. 5	3.91	2.73	3.75	2.06	1.84	3/2.71	1.76	2.24	5.42	4.50
12	3.89	2.88	3.83	2.14	2.21	2.02	2.05	2.27	5.58	5.03
19	3.95	2.47	3.96	2.10	---	2.09	1.90	2.09	5.38	4.60
26	3.97	2.44	4.11	2.19	2.75	2.37	2.00	2.02	5.66	4.47
Apr. 2	4.17	2.36	4.01	2.37	2.93	---	2.16	2.03	5.44	4.39
Mo. av.	3.96	3/2.56	3.94	2.13	2.35	2.25	1.97	2.15	5.50	4.58
Apr. 9	4.33	2.43	3.92	2.48	2.68	2.40	2.55	2.36	5.30	4.01
16	4.19	2.80	3.84	2.35	2.50	2.23	2.57	2.61	5.45	3.92
23	4.29	2.68	4.36	2.13	2.98	1.98	2.94	2.13	5.74	3.81
30	4.20	2.69	4.05	2.11	2.84	2.09	---	2.18	5.32	3.55
Mo. av.	4.25	2.63	4.06	2.28	2.33	2.16	2.52	2.34	5.46	3.84
May 7	4.62	2.86	3.83	2/2.41	2.99	2/2.29	---	2.04	5.49	4.67
14	4.70	3.03	3.73	2/3.21	2.90	2/2.78	---	2.32	5.60	4.67
21	4.75	2.94	3.88	2/2.66	3.04	2/2.39	---	2.49	5.17	4.14
28	5.12	3.03	3.68	2/2.56	3.05	2/2.43	---	2.59	5.41	4.05
Mo. av.	4.68	2.97	3.73	2/2.69	2.99	2/2.44	---	2.19	5.40	4.34
June 4	---	2.52	3.36	2/2.58	2.80	2/2.16	---	1.20	6.49	3.90
11	---	2.25	3.98	2/3.27	4.21	2/2.64	---	---	6.56	3.91

1/ Based on 1937-38 calendar.

2/ Includes Bruce boxes.

3/ Only 1 quotation.



Table 7.- Oranges: Weekly shipments from producing areas, by varieties and totals, January to June, 1937 and 1938

Week ended	1937				1938			
	Cal.-	Ariz.	Valen-		Cal.-	Ariz.	Valen-	
	Fla.	Navels	Miscel.		Fla.	Navels	Miscel.	
	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars
Jan. 1		704	469	1,740		1,013	657	2,250
8		1,207	563	2,452		1,345	885	2,653
15		1,498	589	2,608		1,442	960	2,775
22		1,609	659	2,937		1,415	849	2,700
29		1,665	733	3,031		1,401	1,194	3,022
Feb. 5		1,564	717	2,943		1,577	877	2,824
12		1,184	667	2,487		1,932	1,287	3,592
19		1,252	710	2,559	7	1,841	1,174	3,345
26		1,148	691	2,408	10	1,773	1,466	3,488
Mar. 5		1,231	1,027	2,649	3	1,610	633	2,485
12		1,204	942	2,480	20	2,098	1,537	3,872
19		1,367	879	2,482	51	1,714	1,266	3,214
26	10	1,388	844	2,419	114	1,633	1,334	3,204
Apr. 2	18	1,102	993	2,222	50	1,601	996	2,745
9	15	1,161	900	2,115	38	1,825	1,254	3,194
16	119	1,215	823	2,158	373	1,877	1,208	3,525
23	263	1,214	556	2,033	389	1,377	1,262	3,076
30	616	1,232	223	2,072	313	1,309	1,128	2,786
May 7	830	1,236	118	2,184	974	1,378	644	3,016
14	1,005	1,082	18	2,105	1,682	1,608	326	3,621
21	954	902	-	1,856	1,971	1,363	62	3,399
28	1,002	910	-	1,912	2,121	919	6	3,046
June 4	875	702	-	1,577	1,780	828	-	2,608
11	1,056	477	-	1,533	1,755	637	-	2,392

1/ Includes shipments from Texas, Louisiana, Alabama and Mississippi, also Florida tangerines.

2/ Excluding relief shipments.

3/ Purchases made by Federal Surplus Commodities Corporation.

Table 8.- Grapefruit: Weekly shipments from producing areas and totals, January to June, 1937 and 1938

Week ended	1937 1/				1938				
	Fla.	Tex.	Calif. Ariz.	Total	Fla.	Tex.	Calif. Ariz.	Total	Relief
	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars
Jan. 1	458	550	25	1,033	338	570	25	933	
8	756	722	48	1,526	548	510	38	1,096	
15	920	659	90	1,669	554	756	52	1,362	
22	823	860	75	1,758	600	1,018	51	1,669	
29	777	609	54	1,440	490	780	75	1,345	
Feb. 5	750	623	29	1,402	484	558	59	1,101	
12	792	945	34	1,771	537	667	68	1,272	
19	812	812	28	1,652	545	707	44	1,296	
26	756	653	26	1,435	531	557	58	1,146	
Mar. 5	696	676	43	1,415	567	762	40	1,369	
12	649	812	48	1,509	558	786	84	1,428	
19	671	979	44	1,694	484	723	95	1,302	
26	709	1,000	44	1,753	641	546	84	1,271	6
Apr. 2	608	590	47	1,245	563	424	100	1,087	36
9	690	17	43	750	579	393	97	1,069	57
16	1,056	-	38	1,094	721	393	141	1,255	77
23	982	-	37	1,019	606	163	147	916	57
30	847	-	57	904	626	96	153	875	78
May 7	749	-	61	810	453	23	162	638	109
14	693	-	75	768	611	6	168	785	123
21	541	-	74	615	579	2	148	729	88
28	360	-	32	392	350	-	191	541	79
June 4	169	-	37	206	309	-	188	497	62
11	86	-	41	127	247	-	278	525	23

1/ Excluding relief shipments which for the entire season amounted to 1,822 cars from Florida, and 2,924 cars from Texas.

Table 9.- Strawberries: Indicated acreage and production, 1938 with comparisons

Group and State	Acreage			Yield per acre			Production		
	:10-year:	:	:	:10-yr.:	:Indi-	:10-yr.:	:Indi-	:	:
	:average: 1937	: 1938	:	:av. :1937	:cated	:av. : 1937	:cated	:	:
	:1927-36:	:	:	: '27-36:	: 1938	: '27-36:	: 1938	:	:
	: Acres	Acres	Acres	Crates 24 qts.	Crates 24 qts.	Crates 24 qts.	1,000 crates	1,000 crates	1,000 crates
Early	: 35,510	31,850	35,110	62.6	75.0	59.4	2,228	2,388	2,086
Second early	: 54,650	40,650	46,650	60.0	69.7	75.3	3,257	2,834	3,513
Intermediate	: 47,870	37,600	45,200	61.8	67.6	60.6	2,934	2,542	2,737
Late	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Indiana	: 2,510	2,600	3,100	65	70	70	163	182	217
Iowa	: 1,810	600	800	56	55	60	110	33	48
Michigan	: 9,010	10,500	11,600	60	*110	30	531	*1,155	348
New York	: 3,660	3,500	3,900	77	80	80	284	280	312
Ohio	: 3,800	4,100	4,500	59	80	75	224	328	338
Oregon	: 11,200	*11,200	14,000	66	75	80	750	*840	1,120
Pennsylvania	: 3,690	4,800	5,000	65	100	70	240	480	350
Utah	: 1,230	1,400	1,400	64	65	80	80	91	112
Washington	: 8,300	*7,000	8,000	72	90	85	605	*630	680
Wisconsin	: 1,740	2,400	2,500	48	70	80	83	168	200
Group total	: 46,950	*48,100	54,800	65.2	*87.0	68.0	3,070	*4,187	3,725
Total all States	: 134,980	*158,200	181,760	62.3	*75.5	66.4	11,489	*11,951	12,061

\* Revised.

Table 10.- Strawberries: Shipping point prices per quart, specified weeks, 1937 and 1938

Week ended	Eastern Shore of Maryland							
	Auction Sales - Truckloads to growers							
	1937				1938			
	:Blakemore:	Big Joe	:Dorsett:	All var.:	:Blakemore:	Big Joe	:Dorsett:	All var.:
	: Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents
May 14	:	:	:	:	13	12	13	13
21	: 11	13	12	12	12	13	12	13
28	: 9	9	9	9	8	11	8	10
June 4	: 6	8	7	8	9	-	-	12
11	: -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Table 11.- Strawberries: Weekly average price per quart, at  
New York and Chicago, 1936-38

		1936			1937			1938		
Week ended	La.	N. C.				La.	N. C.			
1/	Klon-	Klon-	Average	Klon-	Klon-	Average	Klon-	Klon-	Average	
	dykes	dykes	2/	dykes	dykes	2/	dykes	dykes	2/	
	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	
New York										
Apr. 2	26		24			37	26		26	
9	24		24	40		39	25		25	
16	28		25	38		37	25		24	
23	31	23	27	27		24	20	15	16	
30	24	16	20	22	14	18	23	18	19	
Mo.av.	27	-	24	30	-	31	24	16	22	
May 7	-	14	16	25	16	19	19	19	17	
14		13	16	17	14	15	-	16	14	
21		14	14	17	14	14	-	15	14	
28		-	12	-	12	11	-	14	15	
Mo.av.		14	15		14	15	19	16	15	
June 4		-	13		-	11	-	12	17	
11		-	14		-	14	-	-	14	
18			17			9				
25			19			11				
Mo.av.			16			12				
July 2			19			14				
9			22			15				
16			26			14				
23			-			-				
30			-			-				
Mo.av.			22			14				
Chicago										
Apr. 2	22		21	30		36	25		25	
9	23		23	38		38	23		23	
16	23		23	32		32	24		24	
23	27		22	24		24	16		14	
30	23		20	18		13	17		16	
Mo.av.	24		22	28		29	20		20	
May 7	19		18	20		19	-		17	
14	17		14	16		15	15		14	
21	16		14	19		18	-		12	
28	-		15	-		19	-		14	
Mo.av.	18		16	18		18	-		14	
June 4			15			16	-		17	
11			11			17	-		20	
18			13			12				
25			14			13				
Mo.av.			13			14				
July 2			16			17				
9			13			21				
16			-			22				
23			-			-				
30			-			-				
Mo.av.			14			21				

1/Based on 1938 calendar. 2/Simple average of quotations for strawberries from all States.



Table 12.- Strawberries: Weekly carlot shipments, average 1932-36, annual 1937 and 1938

Week ended 1/	1932-36 average			1937			1938		
	La.	Other	Total	La.	Other	Total	La.	Other	Total
	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars
Feb. 12:	1	141	142		151	151		188	188
19:	12	146	158		98	98		155	155
26:	5	145	150	2	37	39		98	98
Mar. 5:	17	124	141	13	25	38	7	98	105
12:	4	108	112	41	41	82	118	75	193
19:	5	86	91	40	39	79	327	42	369
28:	27	115	142	32	72	104	275	11	286
Apr. 2:	144	105	249	16	30	46	337	39	376
9:	235	90	325	65	33	98	346	41	387
16:	332	124	456	178	48	226	418	81	499
23:	482	230	712	573	70	643	353	327	680
30:	559	452	1,011	813	101	914	173	482	655
May 7:	459	882	1,341	870	227	1,097	73	387	460
14:	222	1,215	1,437	582	608	1,190	19	619	638
21:	36	1,214	1,250	108	756	864		702	702
28:	5	1,301	1,306		668	668		277	277
June 4:		727	727		455	455		114	114
11:		263	263		120	120		27	27
18:		56	56		23	23			
25:		54	54		43	43			
July 2:		38	38		17	17			
9:		12	12						
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